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| 1                             | (i) there must be two (2) copies of each instruction;   |
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| 2                             | (ii) the first copy shall indicate the number of the proposed instruction and the authority supporting each instruction; and  |
| 3 4                           | (iii) the second copy shall contain <u>only</u> the proposed instruction – there should be no other marks or writings on the second copy except for the word "Instruction # "in the bottom margin. (See Attachment 1, attached hereto.)   |
| <ul><li>5</li><li>6</li></ul> | (e) On the day of trial, the parties may submit a concise argument supporting the appropriateness of each party's proposed instructions to which the other party objected.  |
| 7<br>8                        | (f) All instructions should be short, concise, understandable, and <u>neutral</u> statements of law. Argumentative or formal instructions are improper, will not be given, and should not be submitted.   |
| 9<br>10<br>11                 | (g) Parties should also note that any modifications of instructions from statutory authority, <u>Devitt and Blackmar</u> , <u>Ninth Circuit Manual of Model Jury Instructions</u> , or any other form instructions, must specifically state the modification made to the original form instruction and the authority supporting the modification.   |
| 12                            | (h) Failure to comply with any of the above instructions may subject the noncomplying party and/or counsel to sanctions.  |
| 13<br>14<br>15                | (i) Using WordPerfect software, counsel shall submit to the Court proposed jury instructions without citations: one document containing the joint jury instructions, one document for the plaintiff's proposed instructions, and one document for the defendant's proposed instructions. Proposed jury instructions shall be submitted via email and addressed to Courtroom Administrator at paris_rich@nvd.uscourts.gov. |
| 16                            | IT IS SO ORDERED.   |
| 17                            | The Court further orders the Clerk to serve copies of this Order on all parties.  |
| 18                            | The date of the Clerk's file mark shall constitute the date of this Order.  |
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| 20                            | HOWARD D. McKIBBEN  |
| 21                            | Senior United States District Judge   |
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In reaching your verdict you may consider only the testimony and exhibits received into evidence. Certain things are not evidence, and you may not consider them in deciding what the facts 3 are. I will list them for you. 1. Questions and objections are not evidence. You should not be influenced by the Court's ruling on them. 2. Testimony that has been excluded or stricken, or that you have been instructed to disregard, is not evidence and must not be considered. In addition, some testimony and exhibits have been received only for a limited purpose; where I have given a limiting instruction, you must follow it. 3. Anything you may have seen or heard when the Court was not in session is not evidence. You are able to decide the case solely on the evidence received at the trial. Instruction No. **ATTACHMENT 1**